

Hi, this is Sally Oxenhandler with your MoDOT Minute.

MoDOT's innovative highway design concept MoDOT called Practical Design is quickly becoming a national model because of the cost savings it creates. Other states, including Idaho and Kentucky, are copying the agency's no-frills approach to designing highway projects. Over the past three years, Practical Design has saved MoDOT more than \$500 million that has been reinvested in additional road and bridge work. The concept saves money because highway projects are designed to meet specific needs rather than generic design standards.

This October, MoDOT is working extra hard to remind teens to buckle up with its Never Made It teen safety belt campaign. The educational program shows teens what can happen if they don't wear their seat belts – like not making it to Homecoming or even home. The ads that will air as part of the push can be found at [savemolives.com](http://savemolives.com).

That's been your MoDOT Minute. Remember to check back every Tuesday for new information.